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Memorandum of Conversation

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PARTICIPANTS: Mr. William Henderson, Mobil Oil Company
Mr. Hugh Campbell, Libyan Desk Officer

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On August 10th I called David Finnie but, in his absence, talked to his assistant Mr. Barnes. Mr. Henderson called the following day, saying he was more familiar with the subject of technical assistance than Mr. Barnes, who had only recently been hired, and wanted a recapitulation of what I had said to Barnes since there were some unanswered questions. I told Mr. Henderson that I had not requested any action from the oil company committee but had only wanted to inform them of our discussions with Mr. Griffin of IESC. I wanted to keep the oil company committee informed since we were undertaking a number of efforts to meet the technical assistance problem and since I had apprised IESC in general terms of our earlier requests of the oil companies. I informed Mr. Henderson that IESC might be willing to ask that its terms of reference be altered to allow them to provide a few advisers to Government agencies rather than private business in Libya. He asked how this would be financed, and I said that presumably the amount the Libyans were willing to pay for advisers, i.e., $12,600 would be sufficient to meet the IESC fee and would be paid to IESC, which would then pay the IESC volunteers per diem, as was the usual procedure.

Mr. Henderson thanked me for this information and said that Mr. Finnie would probably be talking to me when he returned from leave.

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